Science, art, and education: discovering and protecting species in Tropical Rainforests

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Pedro Peloso is a field biologist and nature photographer with a passion for wildlife and wild places. He studies and documents the diversity of amphibians and reptiles from Tropical Rainforests around the World, with a focus on new, rare, and threatened species. Pedro has a PhD in Comparative Biology from the American Museum of Natural History (NY), is also a National Geographic Explorer and was appointed a research Associate at Cal Poly Humboldt. His current research focuses on the phylogenetic relationships, evolution, and taxonomy of Neotropical animals. Through his work he has discovered and named over 30 new species of animals, most of which are Amazonian frogs. Pedro is also the founder and director of the Documenting Threatened Species (DoTS) project, a bold initiative that combines science, art and storytelling to promote the conservation of endangered species in Latin America.

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